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Offered by:

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"AN ACT CONCERNING COMPLAINTS PENDING IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AGAINST PHYSICIANS AND OTHER HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS."

- 1 Strike lines 80 to 106, inclusive, in their entirety
- 2 In line 107, strike the brackets and strike "(12)"
- 3 After line 109, insert the following:
- 4 (12) With respect to any complaint filed with the department on or
- 5 after October 1, 2009, alleging incompetence, negligence, fraud or
- 6 deceit by a person subject to regulation or licensing by any board or
- 7 commission described in subdivisions (1) to (5), inclusive, (7), (8), (12)
- 8 to (14), inclusive, or (16) of subsection (b) of this section:
- 9 (A) Upon request of the person who filed the complaint, provide
- 10 such person with information on the status of the complaint;
- 11 (B) Upon request of the person who filed the complaint, provide
- 12 such person with an opportunity to review, at the office of the

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13 department, records compiled pursuant to any investigation of the 14 complaint, as of the date of the request, including, but not limited to, the respondent's written response to the complaint, provided such 15 16 person shall not be entitled to copy such records, except that the 17 department (i) shall not disclose (I) information concerning a health 18 care professional's referral to, participation in or completion of an 19 assistance program in accordance with sections 19a-12a and 19a-12b, 20 that is confidential pursuant to section 19a-12a, (II) information not 21 related to such person's specific complaint, including, but not limited 22 to, information concerning patients other than such person, or (III) 23 personnel or medical records and similar files the disclosure of which would constitute an invasion of personal privacy pursuant to section 1-24 210, except for such records or similar files solely related to such 25 person; (ii) shall not be required to disclose any other information that 26 27 is otherwise confidential pursuant to federal law or state statute, 28 except for information solely related to such person; and (iii) may 29 require up to ten business days written notice prior to providing such 30 opportunity for review;

- (C) Prior to resolving the complaint with a consent order, provide the person who filed the complaint with not less than ten business days to submit a written statement as to whether such person objects to resolving the complaint with a consent order;
- 35 (D) If a hearing is held with respect to such complaint after a finding 36 of probable cause, provide the person who filed the complaint with a 37 copy of the notice of hearing issued pursuant to section 4-177, which 38 shall include information concerning the opportunity to present oral or 39 written statements pursuant to subsection (b) of section 4-177c; and
- 40 <u>(E) Notify the person who filed the complaint of the final</u>
  41 <u>disposition of such complaint not later than seven business days after</u>
  42 <u>such final disposition;</u>
- In line 201, bracket "which" and insert "that" after the closing bracket

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44	In line 204, after the period, insert the following:
45	"Records disclosed to a person who files a complaint pursuant to
46	subdivision (12) of subsection (a) of this section that are otherwise
47	confidential shall not be deemed public records merely because they
48	have been disclosed pursuant to said subdivision."
49	In line 221, strike "patient or the patient's representative" and
50	substitute "person who filed the complaint" in lieu thereof
51	In lines 222 and 237, strike "(11)" and substitute "(12)" in lieu thereof
52	In lines 226 and 229, bracket "a rehabilitation" and insert "an

- In line 231, bracket "rehabilitation" and insert "assistance" after the
- 55 closing bracket

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56 Strike section 3 in its entirety

assistance" after the closing bracket